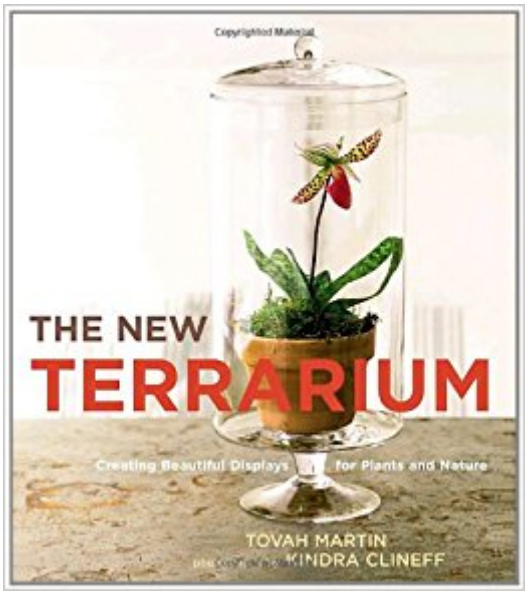
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The New Terrarium: Creating Beautiful Displays For Plants And Nature



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Synopsis

If you live in the city but want to be close to nature . . . If you call the countryside home but have no time to step outside . . .If you are confined to an office fifty hours a week . . . If your home needs the soothing touch of the natural world . . . In The New Terrarium, Tovah Martin, one of AmericaÃ¢â ¬â„¢s favorite gardeners, introduces you to the whimsical yet practical world of gardens under glassÃ¢â ¬â •a no-fuss way to bring snippets of nature indoors. Wherever you are, in whatever little time you have, terrariums are the perfect tool for nature lovers and gardeners everywhere. With gorgeous photography, The New Terrarium reveals how this classic garden tool has been reimagined in a modern way. When encased in glass, plants thrive with almost no help from outside their little enclosed world, so you can host a plant almost anywhereÃ¢â ¬â •in your apartment where the air is dry or in your cubicle where thereÃ¢â ¬â„¢s little natural light. Tucked inside something crystal and contained, the bounty of the forest or treasures from the beach or the meadow can merge seamlessly into your home or office environment. ItÃ¢â ¬â„¢s amazing how some frothy fern fronds or colorful blossoms can transform a room by giving it a burst of vibrant green life.With clear, simple step-by-step instructions and photographs to inspire and guide you along the way, Martin shares her years of experience growing and tending terrariums and shows how terrariums can enrich your life, including: Ã¢â ¬Â¢ different venues for cultivating your terrariumÃ¢â ¬Â¢ plants that flourish in these gardens under glassÃ¢â ¬Â¢ ideas and designs for creating your first terrarium Ã¢â ¬Â¢ how to care for and maintain the environment youÃ¢â ¬â„¢ve made Martin has designed a unique range of imaginative terrarium projects, including ones that are suitable for children, enliven the seasons, incorporate plant propagation, and show off a nature collection. Whether you are a gardener or city-dwelling nature lover, The New Terrarium is the perfect way to spark your creativity, while helping you to bring your favorite plants into your home and giving them a place to thrive.When nature is out of armÃ¢â ¬â„¢s reach and you crave a little greenery, The New Terrarium can show you how to bring all the benefits of the outdoors close to you.

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Customer Reviews

TOVAH MARTIN is one of this countryÃ¢â ¬â„¢s best-known garden writers and lecturers. She is the author of Tasha TudorÃ¢â ¬â„¢s Garden, Tasha TudorÃ¢â ¬â„¢s Heirloom Crafts, Garden Whimsy, A Time to Blossom, Heirloom Flowers, and View from a Sketchbook. A guest and contributor to the PBS television series Cultivating Life, she is also a contributor to Country Home, La Vie Claire, NatureÃ¢â ¬â„¢s Garden, Country Gardens, Garden Design, and Horticulture as well as many other publications. She lives in Roxbury, Connecticut.Photographer KINDRA CLINEFF specializes in editorial, lifestyle, and travel photography. She regularly produces feature assignments for NatureÃ¢â ¬â„¢s Garden, Country Living, Coastal Living, and Yankee Magazine, and her images have appeared in numerous books and calendars. She lives in Topsfield, Massachusetts.

If nothing else, this book is a great starting point for terrarium design ideas. There are loads of inspiring color photos of terrariums of many different sizes, shapes, and styles. The author does a good job of describing the different types of terrarium containers, and offers a quite a few tips and pointers for setting up and planting your terrarium, but I found this book lacking in a few areas.With respect to the plants, the author only provides a few general recommendations on the types of plants to select. I was really hoping for a list of small-ish plants, with a brief description, preferred conditions, and recommended usage to provide a starting point on which species to pursue for terrarium design. The book doesn’t really provide this type of ’quick reference’ information.Similarly, a brief list of some different enclosure types, along with their pros/cons and a simple example sketch of their appearance would’ve been immensely helpful. To take this idea a little further, a quick reference list of different filler materials such as potting mixes, river pebble, and other substrates would’ve been much appreciated.At the end of the day the photos and design concepts offered in this book, really get the creative juices flowing and help the reader envision a terrarium fitting into their home decor. However, the lack of practical information about particular plant

species, substrates, and pros/cons of different types of enclosures in a quick reference format does little to help the reader bring their ideas to fruition.

Great book - nice photos, gives me lots of ideas and info. Quick shipping, fair price.

Ms. Martin’s writings are relaxed and informative. It feels as though a good friend is talking to me as I read this book! She gives matter-of-fact advice on a wide-array of ways to create beautiful terrariums. She tells you exactly which houseplants (and some outdoor plants) work well so that your terrarium will be a success.The photos are ooh-la-la! I want to go to her house!I loved the book so much I bought a second one to give to my garden-loving friend. She stayed up all night and read the book cover-to-cover! The next day she made 5 terrariums! That qualifies as a big success!

Perfect for project with grand kids.

This book is easy to understand and full of beautiful pictures that are inspiring. I have always shunned artificial plants but due to the colder temperatures in the East and the limited sunlight available in today’s office setting, they seemed to be the only viable option. This book has given me numerous other options, and I now get wonderful compliments on the elegant terrariums on display in my home and office. It makes the environment more inviting and harmonious, and it is a great hobby for a creative person with limited time.

This Book promotes dreams! I loved the Pictures and the information and that it motivated me to go out and buy the supplies and actually start some terrariums. The only thing I dislike is that I love the Orchid on the cover but cannot find a place to buy one like it. If you love plants but don’t have time to water them, this is a great way to have them pretty much take care of themselves once you do the initial setup. Although I find myself spending time just watching the plants grow and clipping here and there to create the most pleasing look.

When this book first came out I checked it out of the Library. I was so inspired I went out immediately and purchased all the items I needed to make my first terrarium and that was all it took. I could not stop making them I had them all through my house,gave them as gifts and now I have my own Terrarium business. The photos are so inspiring and easy to read instructions and a wealth of knowledge, anyone can do this .

This is one of my favorite Martin books. The photographs are stunning, and it will greatly expand your concept of indoor gardening. There are many examples of Wardian cases and novel closed terrarria, but also open vessels like vases and tubes, to retain humidity while leaving some circulation. When you're done browsing this book, you'll have some confidence in deciding which type of plants can thrive in each environment.

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